



# Manistee County Board of Commissioners

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## POLICY COMMITTEE

Friday, April 4, 2008  
10:30 A.M.

Courthouse & Government Center  
Board of Commissioner's Room

## MINUTES

Members Present: Carl Rutske, Chairperson, Edward Haik and Allan O'Shea

Others Present: Dale Kowalkowski, Sheriff; John O'Hagan, Undersheriff; and Karen Molby, Personnel Officer/Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M.

### ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

The Committee reviewed an Application for Education Assistance from the Manistee County Education Fund submitted by Dale Kowalkowski, Sheriff, on behalf of John O'Hagan, Undersheriff. Mr. O'Hagan is seeking a Bachelor of Arts in Management and Organizational Development with anticipated completion date in January 2010. After review and discussion,

**Mr. Haik recommended approval to reimburse John O'Hagan for up to \$543.00 for education expenses toward obtaining a Bachelors of Arts Degree with proper written evidence of his grades with funds for the same being paid out of the Education Fund. No alternative recommendation was proposed.**

The Committee reviewed a Resolution from Lake County urging the legislature to ratify the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact. After discussion,

**Mr. Haik recommended that the Manistee County Board of Commissioners pass a Resolution in Support of the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact. No alternative recommendation was proposed.**  
(APPENDIX A)

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

The Committee discussed how to proceed with the process to update the various Personnel Policy Manuals currently in place. The Committee reviewed the three responses received from the Memorandum circulated by Administration to all County Department Supervisors, Elected Officials and Judges requesting their input regarding current and future technology, capital improvement and policy issues. The Committee directed Administration to circulate a Memorandum from the Policy Committee to all Offices and Departments advising that Manistee County is in the process of updating all of its Personnel Policy Manuals and requesting that any modifications, additions, and/or deletions be provided to the Administration Office by July 1, 2008 for review by the Policy Committee at their August meeting. The Circuit Court and District Court Manuals will also have to be presented to the Joint Court Committee. The Committee anticipates having these Manuals updated and adopted by the County Board prior to the start of FY 2008-09.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

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Carl Rutske, Chairperson

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Edward Haik, Commissioner

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Allan O'Shea, Commissioner



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## RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE RATIFICATION OF THE GREAT LAKES - ST. LAWRENCE RIVER BASIN WATER RESOURCES COMPACT

At a regular meeting of the Manistee County Board of Commissioners held in the Manistee County Courthouse & Government Center, 415 Third Street, Manistee, Michigan, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2008.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_:

**WHEREAS**, the Great Lakes and connecting waters represent an invaluable resource to the State of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, this resource is at great risk of diversion by parties outside of the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin; and

**WHEREAS**, this risk is increasing as water shortages become more acute and the parties that oppose ceding control of the waters of the basin to the Great Lakes states and provinces become more powerful; and

**WHEREAS**, this resource can only be protected by joint agreement and action by the eight states, including Michigan, and the two Canadian provinces that are wholly or partially within the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin; and

**WHEREAS**, the Compact will also require Congressional approval and a treaty with Canada; and

**WHEREAS**, bills that are required to implement the Compact have already been introduced in Michigan's House and Senate and they are nearly identical;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Manistee County Board of Commissioners urge the legislature, in the strongest possible terms, to ratify the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact without further delay.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governor promptly sign the ratification into law.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Granholm, State Senator Michelle McManus and State Representative David Palsrok.

STATE OF MICHIGAN            )  
  )ss.  
COUNTY OF MANISTEE        )

I, Marilyn Kliber, County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Manistee County Board of Commissioners at its regular monthly meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2008, by the following vote:

YEAS:

NAYS:

NOT VOTING:

I further certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true, correct and complete transcript of the original of said Resolution appearing on file and of record in my office. I further certify that the meeting was held and the minutes therefore were filed in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the County of Manistee this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2008.

CLERK OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION  
MANISTEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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Marilyn Kliber, County Clerk

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